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ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 FOR WEEK ENDING 19-Nov-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	11/19/05	11/12/05
Broiler/fryer	166,912	166,819
Light hens	1,463	1,383
Heavy hens	1,457	1,418

U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA

	WEEK ENDING 12-Nov-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	165	0	165
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	331	0	331
Same week yr ago	160	3	163
To-date/2005	11,705	60	11,765
To-date/2004	10,968	128	11,096

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,461	1,427	2,888
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,564	1,470	3,034
Same week yr ago	1,676	1,537	3,213
To-date/2005	76,540	64,052	140,592
To-date/2004	72,757	61,597	134,354

LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
 WEEK ENDING 12-NOVEMBER-05 (THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	163,999	1,296	1,427	2,723
Avg Wt	5.53	3.39	8.08	5.85
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	161,982	1,233	1,470	2,703
Same wk yr ago	161,965	1,516	1,534	3,050
Avg Wt	5.30	3.40	8.05	5.74
To-date/2005	7,268,782	64,835	63,992	128,827
To-date/2004	7,074,371	61,789	61,469	123,258

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 160.6 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 166.0 million head or 5.7 million more than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 05-Nov-05

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	25,072	18,919	53,677
Avg Weight	3.85	4.79	6.46
% of total /1	26%	19%	55%
Last week	26,774	15,526	59,726
Avg Weight	3.79	4.63	6.47
% of total /1	26%	15%	59%
Same week, yr ago /2	27,901	18,669	52,801
Avg Weight	3.75	4.75	6.35
% of total /1	28%	19%	53%
To date/2005	1,190,753	955,719	2,219,444
To date/2004	1,146,499	941,711	2,033,034

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 12-NOV-05  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	2,847	2,677	20	0	5,544
Avg Wt	16.53	36.44	25.92	0.00	26.18
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,705	2,791	89	9	5,594
Same wk yr ago	2,403	2,885	48	2	5,338
Avg Wt	16.08	35.36	23.29	30.10	26.57
To-date/2005	82,889	116,950	1,118	195	201,152
To-date/2004	79,258	116,045	2,364	313	197,980

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.  
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